

Amendments

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows.

Please replace the paragraph at page 8, line 10 through page 9, line 22, with the following:

Preferred compounds according to the invention are:

- 2-(4-fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid (3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-methyl-amide;
- 2-(2-isopropyl-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid (3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-methyl-amide;
- 2-(4-fluoro-3-methyl-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid (3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-methyl-amide;
- 2-(2,4-difluoro-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid (3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-methyl-amide;
- 2-(4-fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid [1-(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)ethyl]-methyl-amide;
- 2-(4-fluoro-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid (3,4-bis-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-methyl-amide;
- 2-Phenyl-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid (3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-methyl-amide;
- 2-(2,4-dichloro-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid (3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-methyl-amide;
- 2-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid (3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-methyl-amide;
- 2-(4-fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-3-methyl-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid (3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-methyl-amide;
- 2-(2-methyl-4-fluoro-phenyl)-6-Methyl-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid (3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-methyl-amide;
- 2-(4-fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid [1-(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)ethyl]-methyl-amide;

4-(2-Amino-acetyl)-2-(S)-(4-fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid (3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-methyl-amide;
 2-(S)-(4-Fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-4-(piperidine-4-carbonyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid (3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-methyl-amide;
 4-(2-Amino-ethyl)-2-(S)-(4-fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid (3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-methyl-amide;
~~2-(S)-(4-Fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid [(1-(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-cyclopropyl)-methyl-amide];~~
2-(S)-(4-Fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid [1-(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-cyclopropyl]-methyl-amide;
 [2-(3,5-Bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-pyrrolidin-1-yl]-[2-(S)-(4-fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-piperazin-1-yl]-methanone;
 [2-(3,5-Bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyridin-1-yl]-[2-(S)-(4-fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-piperazin-1-yl]-methanone;
 [2-(3,5-Bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-piperidin-1-yl]-[2-(S)-(4-fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-piperazin-1-yl]-methanone;
 2-(4-Fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid [1-(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-but-3-enyl]-methyl-amide;
 2-(4-Fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid [1-(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-2-methyl-propyl]-methyl-amide;
 2-(4-Fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid [(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-cyclopropyl-methyl]-methyl-amide;
 and enantiomers, pharmaceutically acceptable salts (e.g hydrochloride, methansulphonate, acetate) and solvates thereof.

Please replace the title of example Intermediate 82 at page 71, line 12 with the following:

~~(R)-3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl-ethyl-methyl-amine~~
(R)-[1-(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-ethyl]-methyl-amine

Please replace the paragraph at page 71, line 19 through line 24, with the following:

The mixture was concentrated by evaporating 600mL of solvent under vacuum then it was slowly poured into a mixture of AcOEt (1500mL)/NH₄Cl sat (750mL) and water (750mL). The water phase was back-extracted with AcOEt (1500mL). The combined organic phases were washed with Water/Brine (150mL/150mL) then evaporated to obtain ~~3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-ethyl]-methyl-amine~~ [(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-ethyl]-methyl-amine (305g) as a yellow oil.

Please replace the paragraph at page 71, line 25 through page 72, line 2, with the following:

To a solution of [(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-ethyl]-methyl-amine ~~3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-ethyl]-methyl-amine~~ (245.6g) in EtOAc (2380mL), ~~L-(+)-malic~~ L(-)-malic acid was added portionwise (118g). The suspension was stirred for 2hrs at 25°C then 3hrs at 0°C. The suspension was filtered and the cake was washed with EtOAc (240mL). The solid was dried under vacuum obtaining crude ~~L-(+)-malate~~3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-ethyl]-methyl-amine ~~L(-)-malate~~[(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-ethyl]-methyl-amine (135.3g) as a white solid which was suspended in Ethyl acetate (1760mL) then heated to reflux till complete dissolution and then cooled at 25°C. The suspension was filtered, washed with Ethyl acetate (135mL) then dried to obtain ~~L-(+)-malate~~3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-ethyl]-methyl-amine ~~L(-)-malate~~[(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-ethyl]-methyl-amine (128.5g). The solid was stirred in a mixture of NaOH 10%v/v (720mL) and Ethyl acetate (650mL). Organic phase was washed with water (720mL), then concentrated to yield the title compound (82.2g).

Please replace the title of Example 9 at page 77, lines 2-3 with the following:

~~2-(4-Fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid [1-(R)-(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)ethyl]-methyl-amide hydrochloride~~

2-(4-Fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid [1-(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)ethyl]-methyl-amide hydrochloride (mixture of enantiomers A,B)

Please replace the title of Example 10 at page 77, lines 17-18 with the following:

~~2-(4-Fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid [1-(S)-(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-ethyl]-methyl-amide hydrochloride~~

2-(4-Fluoro-2-methyl-phenyl)-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid [1-(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-ethyl]-methyl-amide hydrochloride mixture of enantiomers C,D)